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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Telfair et al. Art Unit: Not Assigned (Parent Application: 3736)

Serial No.: Not Assigned (Divisional of U.S. Appl. No.: 08/816,097) Examiner: Not Assigned (Parent Application: Shay, D.)

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Title: SHORT PULSE MID-INFRARED PARAMETRIC GENERATOR FOR SURGERY

BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the application filed concurrently herewith, and before calculation of the fee, Applicant submits the following Preliminary Amendment to place the instant application in better condition for examination on the merits:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

• Please Cancel Claims 1 - 16, 30 - 31, and 45 - 59, which are being prosecuted in the parent application hereto. Claims 17 - 29 and 32 - 44 are the only claims pending in the instant application and presented for consideration.

Applicants aver that no new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,

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